

## **February 5, 2008 Presidential Primary Election: Time Line**

- **October 25- November 24, 2007**
  - Designated members of the State and county political party are to meet within this 30-day time period to appoint the county board of election members.
- **November 23, 2007**
  - No redistricting is permitted after this date ( 75<sup>th</sup> day before the Presidential Primary Election).
- **December 3 - 7, 2007**
  - County Commissioners of Registration are to publish notice of the requirements to vote in a primary election.
- **December 7, 2007**
  - No later than this date, the Attorney General is to notify the county clerks and county boards of election of the federal and state offices, and any public questions, to be voted upon at the ensuing general election.
  - No later than this date, the county clerk is to notify each municipal clerk if any county offices are to be voted upon at the ensuing general election.
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- **December 10, 2007**
  - Deadline for nomination petitions for delegates for the national conventions and “Choice for President.”
- **December 10 - 14, 2007**
  - County Commissioners of Registration are to publish a second notice this week regarding the requirements to vote in a primary election.
- **December 13, 2007**
  - Deadline to file amendments for defective petitions, but for the adding of signatures.

- **December 14, 2007**
  - Deadline to file objections to nomination petitions.
- **December 16, 2007 - January 14, 2008**
  - Within this 30 day period, County Boards of Election are to publish notice of the upcoming Presidential Primary Election, and include voter registration information.
- **December 17, 2007**
  - No later than this date, the county clerk is to provide to the municipal clerks, a copy of the “elective offices/public questions” notice received from the Attorney General.
  - Deadline for filing of change of political party affiliation change.
- **December 19, 2007**
  - Deadline to fill vacancy of party candidates.
  - Certification by Attorney General of the nominees for the Presidential Primary.
- **December 20, 2007**
  - On or before December 20, 2007, the Chairs of the two State Political Party Committees are to notify the Attorney General of the number of delegates-at-large and alternates, and the number of district delegates and alternates to be elected at the Presidential Primary. The Attorney General is to forward this information to the county clerks.
  - County boards of election are to notify chairs of a county committee if there are any district board worker vacancies in the affected political party
  - Governor is to commission county board of election member appointments by this date.
  - County Clerks to draw for ballot positions.
- **January 2-5, 2008**
  - County board of election is to hold its reorganization meeting within this time frame.

- **January 4, 2008**
  - Deadline to appoint political party-affiliated district board workers for upcoming year.
  - Deadline for municipal clerk to provide the county board of election with the list of recommended polling places for the upcoming year.
- **January 9, 2008**
  - Deadline to appoint unaffiliated district board workers to fill vacancies.
- **January 14, 2008**
  - Deadline for certification of polling places by the county board of election.
- **January 15, 2008**
  - Voter registration deadline.
  - Evening registration from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m at the offices of county commissioners of registration (optional for municipal clerks)
  - Deadline for each County Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee to provide to the Attorney General the polling place accessibility report.
- **January 22, 2008**
  - Deadline to file for appointment of challengers.
- **January 28, 2007 - February 1, 2008**
  - County Boards of Election are to publish a notice regarding the Primary Election once during the week before the week of the election.
- **January 29, 2008**
  - Deadline to apply by mail for an absentee ballot.
  - County Boards of Election are to publish first notice of challenge and complaint procedures at the polling places.

- **January 30, 2008**
  - Deadline for mailing of sample ballots.
- **February 1, 2008**
  - Deadline for submission **by fax** of federal post card application by military and overseas voters
- **February 4, 2008**
  - 3:00 p.m. deadline to apply for an absentee ballot in person at the County Clerk's office.
  - County Boards of Election are to publish a second notice of challenge and complaint procedures at the polling places.
- **February 5, 2008**
  - Day of Presidential Primary Election.